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MEDICAL OFFICER

OF HEALTH

AND THE

CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH

INSPECTOR



Borough of Whitley Bay

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BOROUGH OF WHITLEY BAY

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

1970

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Health Department,
Council Offices,
Whitley Bay.

May 1971.

To His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors
of the Whitley Bay Borough Council.

Your Worship, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting the Annual Report on the health of the Borough for the year ended 31st December 1970. This report has been prepared in accordance with the Department of Health and Social Security's Circular No.1/71.

Vital statistics are all provided by the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys and the Registrar-General's estimate of the mid-year population was 37,910: in 1969 the figure was 38,040 and in 1968 - 38,350. Thus, although there has once again been a decrease in population it is rather less than over the previous year.

The Birth Rate, adjusted by the area comparability factor, was 12.5 per 1,000 population compared with 12.8 in 1969. Both figures are considerably lower than those for the whole of England - 16.0 per 1,000 population in 1970.

The adjusted Death Rate was 10.9 per 1,000 compared with 11.6 in 1969 and 11.48 in 1968. In 1970 the Death Rate for England was 11.7 per 1,000, so that the Whitley Bay figure is just slightly lower than the national average.

The Infant Mortality Rate at 20 per 1,000 live births was approximately similar to that for the whole of England - 18. The Neonatal Mortality Rate (deaths under 4 weeks per 1,000 live births) was 13 compared with 12 for the whole of England: the Perinatal Mortality Rate (still births and deaths under 1 week combined per 1,000 total live and stillbirths) was 26 compared with 23 for England.

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Apart from Measles, the amount of infectious disease notified was low. So far Measles Vaccination has not yet had a chance to exercise its full effect but it is to be hoped that in subsequent years the number of children protected will increase and so reduce the spread of Measles in the community. Vaccination against Rubella (German Measles) became available for thirteen year old girls in 1970 and this should be of great help in preventing the birth of handicapped children in the years ahead (Rubella in the early months of pregnancy is known to affect the developing baby in certain instances if the expectant mother has not had the disease).

In conclusion, I would like to thank the Chief Public Health Inspector and the staff of the Health Department for their co-operation and also the Chairman and Members of the Social Services Committee for their support and interest in all measures designed to improve the health of the people of the Borough.

I remain,

Your obedient Servant,

George McNaught Cubie,

Medical Officer of Health.

SECTION "A"

STATISTICAL AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE BOROUGH

The Borough comprises an area of 3,612 acres, including the foreshore which is 510 acres. It continues in popularity as a holiday resort and has excellent rail and bus connections to and from all parts of the country. It has a wide variety of interests and entertainments with the picturesque St. Mary's Island and Lighthouse at the North end of the Bay. Fine golden sands stretch for nearly two miles.

The Borough is divided electorally into eight wards which are represented by twentyfour councillors and eight aldermen. The rateable value now stands at £1,539,801, the product of the penny rate being £6,100. The population at midyear 1970 was £37,910 a decrease of 130. There are 13,186 houses in the area of which 1,731 are owned by the Borough Council.

VITAL STATISTICS

Following are the vital statistics in accordance with Ministry requirements and in the order requested.

Live Births

Number	448
Rate per 1,000 population	11.8
Illegitimate live births (per cent of total live births)	5

Stillbirths

Number	6
Rate per 1,000 total live and still births	13
Total live and still births	454
Infant deaths (deaths under 1 year)	9

Infant Mortality Rates

Total infant deaths per 1,000 total live births	20
Legitimate infant deaths per 1,000 legitimate live births	14
Illegitimate infant deaths per 1,000 illegitimate live births	130

Neo-natal Mortality Rate (deaths under 4 weeks per 1,000 total live births)

13

Early neo-natal Mortality Rate (deaths under 1 week per 1,000 total live births)

13

Perinatal Mortality Rate (still births and deaths under 1 week combined per 1,000 total live and still births)

26

Maternal Mortality (including abortion)

Number of deaths	Nil
Rate per 1,000 total live and still births	Nil

Births

The number of live births for the year was 448, giving a birth rate of 11.8 per 1,000 population. 232 of these were males and 216 females. The Registrar General's comparability factor is 1.06 which alters the birth rate for the area to 12.5 per 1,000. There were 12 male and 11 female illegitimate births, representing 5.1 per cent of the total births, and the number of still births was 6 representing 1.34 per cent of the total births; these were 1 female and 5 male.

Deaths

551 deaths were recorded by the Registrar General, consisting of 234 males and 317 females. The crude death rate for the area was 14.5 per 1,000 of the population, but adjustment by the Registrar General's comparability figures of .75 reduces this figure to 10.9.

The cause of all deaths are shown in the table on the following page.

Longevity

Of the 551 deaths in the area, 431 of them occurred at the age of 65 years or over. This represents 78.02 per cent. Details are given in the following table.

Ages at death	Males	Females	Total
Under 1 year	3	6	9
1 to 4 years	-	-	-
5 to 14 years	1	2	3
15 to 24 years	3	-	3
25 to 34 years	1	-	1
35 to 44 years	6	8	14
45 to 54 years	13	11	24
55 to 64 years	44	22	66
65 to 74 years	78	68	146
75 years and over	85	200	285
TOTAL	234	317	551

CAUSES OF DEATH	M.	F.
Enteritis and other Diarrhoeal Diseases	-	1
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	1	1
Late Effects of Respiratory T.B.	1	-
Syphilis and its Sequelae	1	-
Malignant Neoplasm, Buccal Cavity etc.	1	-
Malignant Neoplasm, Oesophagus	2	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	3	7
Malignant Neoplasm, Intestine	6	12
Malignant Neoplasm, Larynx	1	-
Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	17	2
Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	-	11
Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus	-	4
Malignant Neoplasm, Prostate	4	-
Leukaemia	3	1
Other Malignant Neoplasms	14	14
Diabetes Mellitus	2	1
Anaemias	-	1
Meningitis	1	-
Other diseases of Nervous System	1	-
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	-	3
Hypertensive Disease	6	3
Ischaemic Heart Disease	75	81
Other forms of Heart Disease	9	30
Cerebrovascular Disease	29	55
Other diseases of Circulatory System	5	26
Influenza	6	6
Pneumonia	9	15
Bronchitis and Emphysema	11	10
Asthma	-	1
Other diseases of Respiratory System	1	3
Peptic Ulcer	-	1
Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia	2	1
Cirrhosis of Liver	-	3
Other diseases of Digestive System	4	3
Nephritis and Nephrosis	-	1
Hyperplasia of Prostate	1	-
Other diseases, Genito-Urinary System	4	-
Diseases of Musculo-Skeletal System	3	2
Congenital Anomalies	-	1
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour, etc.	1	1
Other causes of Perinatal Mortality	-	3
Symptoms and Ill Defined Conditions	-	2
Motor Vehicle Accidents	-	1
All other Accidents	6	7
Suicide and Self-Inflicted Injuries	1	1
All other external causes	3	1
TOTAL	234	317

SECTION "B"

HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA

1. Infectious Diseases

The Newcastle Regional Hospital Board administers the clinics, hospitals and sanatoria dealing with treatment necessary for Tuberculosis cases under the National Health Service 1946. Other infectious diseases which require hospitalisation are treated at Walkergate Hospital, Newcastle upon Tyne.

2. Medical and Surgical Cases

These are mostly treated in hospitals and infirmaries under the jurisdiction of the Newcastle Group Hospital Board and the South East Northumberland Hospital Management Committee.

3. Child and Maternity Welfare

These services and the clinics connected with them are administered by the Northumberland County Council.

4. Home Nursing

This service is also controlled by the County Council.

5. Ambulance Service

This is a radio controlled service administered by the County Council. The Ambulance Depot is at Hillheads and gives a 24 hour daily service.

6. First Aid

A fully equipped station, manned by qualified personnel, is operated by the Borough on the Central Lower Promenade and it is of great service to visitors and residents during the busy season. The personnel consists of one full-time nurse and volunteer members of the St. John Ambulance Brigade. 457 cases were dealt with during the season, including 197 cases of injury from cuts and grazes, many of these from broken glass. 48 of these cases were sent to hospital for treatment.

7. Lost Children

This station is provided by the Borough and is also situated on the Lower Promenade. A full time attendant cares for the children when brought in, until recovered by the parents. The number of lost children was 190. Three unclaimed children were left with the Police when the shelter closed.

8. Public Health Laboratories

These laboratories are attached to the Newcastle General Hospital and are of great service to this Department and also to the medical practitioners in the area.

RAINFALL

During the year 23.514 inches fell in the area. Comparisons with the previous years are shown in the table below.

	INCHES				
	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970
January	1.46	.99	1.11	2.4	3.04
February	1.62	1.46	1.521	1.893	1.72
March	.26	.61	1.449	1.567	1.49
April	3.07	.92	1.16	1.524	2.417
May	1.61	3.53	1.823	3.055	1.02
June	2.85	1.06	2.077	2.594	1.34
July	2.31	2.045	5.298	1.429	3.97
August	5.02	3.18	2.21	1.728	1.24
September	1.21	1.097	2.968	1.813	1.56
October	3.72	2.26	2.65	0.506	1.627
November	1.99	3.306	2.30	2.164	2.43
December	1.73	1.085	2.475	2.564	1.66
TOTALS	26.85	21.543	27.041	23.237	23.514

SECTION "C"

1. SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

(i) The water supply during the year proved of good quality and was plentiful. The water is supplied by Tynemouth Corporation.

(ii) 24 samples of water were taken for bacteriological examination and all were satisfactory.

(iii) No water samples for chemical analysis were taken.

(iv) There are no houses in the Borough of Whitley Bay which are not provided with an internal water ~~closet~~ supply.

(v) Sewerage and Sewage Disposal - Two farms have septic tanks in use and a cesspool serves Trinity Road Public Conveniences. With these exceptions the area is fully served by water carriage system with a final disposal via outfall sewers to sea.

2. RIVER POLLUTION

River pollution in the area is the concern of the Northumberland and Tyneside River Board and we are grateful to them for their efforts.

3. SANITARY SERVICES

See Public Health Inspector's Report.

4. SHOPS AND OFFICES

See Public Health Inspector's Report (pages 26, 27 and 28)

5. CAMPING SITES

See Public Health Inspector's Report (page 25)

6. PADDLING POOL

The Paddling Pool on the Southern Promenade is very popular with children. It is kept clean and the water is constantly chlorinated.

7. PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

Details are given in the Public Health Inspector's Report.

8. SCHOOLS

These are administered by the Northumberland County Council.

SECTION "D"

HOUSING

This is fully dealt with in the Report of the Public Health Inspector, on pages 22, 23 and 24

SECTION "E"

MEAT, MILK AND OTHER FOODS

The following table indicates the number of animals passing through the private abattoir at Hillheads.

Further information can be found on pages 32 to 35.

	Cattle Exclud -ing Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed	9554	478	61	63963	22741	-
Number not inspected	-	-	-	* 1	-	-
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis & Cysticer</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	8	2	1	15	15	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	4435	186	-	2335	4002	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis or cysticer	46.5	39.33	1.63	3.65	17.66	-
<u>Tuberculosis only</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	142	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	.66	-
<u>Cysticercosis</u>						
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	13	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses submitted to treatment by refrigeration	-	-	-	-	-	-
Generally and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-

* This carcase was stolen from the premises before inspection, was ultimately recovered and not passed as fit for consumption. A prosecution for an offence of The Meat Inspection Regulations 1963, No.7, resulted in a conviction and a fine of £10.

SECTION "F"

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

ANALYSIS OF CASES UNDER AGE GROUPS

	Under 1	1-4	5-9	10- 14	15- 24	25- 34	35- 44	45- 64	65 and over	Totals
Infective Jaundice	-	-	1	1	2	3	2	-	-	9
Measles	11	315	236	7	1	-	-	-	5	575
Scarlet Fever	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	3	2	8
Whooping Cough	-	6	13	3	-	-	1	2	-	25
Acute Meningitis	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
TOTALS	11	322	251	11	5	4	4	5	7	620

INCIDENCE RATES PER 1,000 POPULATION			
Infective Jaundice	.236	Tuberculosis	.21
Measles	15.131	Whooping Cough	.657
Scarlet Fever	.052	Acute Meningitis	.026

There were no cases of the following diseases in 1970:-

Smallpox, Anthrax, Typhoid, Para-Typhoid, Typhus Fever, Malaria, Poliomyelitis, Puerperal Pyrexia, Ophthalmia Neonatorum, Dysentery, Tetanus, Encephalitis, Leptospirosis, Food Poisoning, Plague, Cholera, Relapsing Fever, Yellow Fever, Diphtheria.

IMMUNISATIONS AND VACCINATIONS

Return for year ended 31st December, 1970.

SMALLPOX VACCINATION

Number Vaccinated during Period				Number Re-vaccinated during Period			
Age at Date of Vaccination							
0-2 Yrs.	2-4 Yrs.	5-15 Yrs.	TOTAL	0-2 Yrs.	2-4 Yrs.	5-15 Yrs.	TOTAL
72	119	24	215	Nil	8	37	45

Immunisations	Primary	Booster
Diphtheria, Whooping Cough and Tetanus (Triple	497	54
Measles	177	-
Rubella	172	-

TUBERCULOSIS

There were 8 new cases during the year. Mass radiography is carried out by mobile units and public response is fairly good. At the end of the year there were still 164 cases on our register consisting of 96 males and 68 females. 143 of these were pulmonary and 21 non-pulmonary.

The age groups of the 8 new cases are as follows:-

Years	PULMONARY		NON - PULMONARY	
	M.	F.	M.	F.
1 - 4	-	-	-	-
5 - 9	-	-	-	-
10 - 19	-	-	-	-
20 - 24	1	-	-	-
25 - 34	1	-	-	-
35 - 44	-	-	1	-
45 - 54	-	1	-	-
55 - 64	1	1	-	-
65 and over	-	1	-	1
TOTAL	3	3	1	1

CANCER

There were 103 deaths recorded - an incidence of 2.71 per 1,000 of the population.

The deaths in age groups are given in the following table with the various organs affected.

	Age in Years						TOTAL
	1- 34	35- 44	45- 54	55- 64	65- 74	Over 75	
Buccal Cavity	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Oesophagus	-	-	-	-	1	2	3
Stomach	-	1	2	-	5	2	10
Intestine	-	-	2	2	9	5	18
Larynx	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Lung, Bronchus	-	-	1	6	12	-	19
Breast	-	-	1	1	1	8	11
Uterus	-	1	-	1	2	-	4
Prostate	-	-	-	-	1	3	4
Leukaemia	2	-	1	-	-	1	4
Other Forms	-	2	4	6	8	8	28

Disinfestation of Premises

Houses are disinfested where necessary, and also Library books. Schools are treated on the request of headmasters where infectious disease has occurred amongst scholars.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948 NATIONAL ASSISTANCE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1951

Removal of persons in need of care and attention

I am pleased to record that no compulsory action was necessary during 1970.

Burial of the Dead (Section 50)

It was not necessary during the year to initiate the powers of the Act in relation to the burial of persons.

SECTION "G"

The Factories Act, 1961

The sections of the above Act, which are the concern of the Department, are carried out regularly and all relevant details are shown in the tables on pages and A list is given also of all mechanical and non-mechanical factories in the Borough.

Factories	Mechanical	Non-Mechanical
Bakehouses	8	-
Boot Repairers	2	-
Carpet Fitting	-	1
Drug Packer	1	-
Dry Cleaners	5	-
Engineering	4	-
Glass Cutters	1	-
Ice Cream Manufacturers	2	-
Joiners and Builders	12	1
Laundries	2	-
Milk Pasteurising	1	-
Motor Repairs	21	-
Photographers	-	-
Plumbers	1	1
Printers	4	-
Slaughtering	1	-
Spectacle Makers	1	-
Sugar Boilers	1	-
Tailors, Dressmakers and Milliners	4	1
Tinsmith	1	-
Upholsterers	2	-
Wholesale Shirt Makers	1	-
TOTAL	75	4

Two outworkers are employed in the District.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE
CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

To the Chairman and Members of the Social Services Committee
of the Borough of Whitley Bay.

I submit herewith my fifteenth Annual Report on the activities of the Public Health Inspectors' Department and would take this opportunity to record my appreciation of the liaison I have enjoyed with the staff of the Department during yet another busy and fruitful year.

Your obedient Servant,

Wm. W. Valentine,

Chief Public Health Inspector.

HOUSING

Improvement, Standard and Special Grants

Type of Grant	Discretionary		Standard		Special
	Conversions	Improvements	Normal	Extended	
Applications Received	-	18	29	5	2
Applications Approved	-	8	22	5	2
Approved Expense	-	£6,336	-	-	-
Amount Paid	-	-	£226	£537	-

Estimated number of dwellings without the following standard amenities.

Inside W.C.	Bath	Wash-hand basin	Hot Water System
262	238	247	190

Number of standard amenities installed by means of grant during 1970.

Inside W.C.	Bath	Wash-hand basin	Hot Water System
29	23	23	14

Number of General Improvement Areas - Nil

House Improvements and Rents

	Qualification Certificates	Provisional Certificates
Applications received	222	7
Applications granted	49	7
Applications refused	116	Nil
Appeals	Nil	Nil

Clearance Areas and Individual Houses
Period 1st January 1970 to 31st December 1970

HOUSES DEMOLISHED			
	Houses Demolished	Displaced during year	
		Persons	Families
In clearance areas			
(1) Houses unfit for human habitation.	Nil	Nil	Nil
(2) Houses included by reason of bad arrangement etc.	Nil	Nil	Nil
(3) Houses on land acquired under Section 43 (2) Housing Act 1957.	Nil	Nil	Nil
Not in clearance areas			
(4) As a result of formal or informal procedure under Section 17 (1) Housing Act 1957.	Nil	Nil	Nil
(5) Local Authority owned houses certified unfit by the Medical Officer of Health.	Nil	Nil	Nil
(6) Houses unfit for human habitation where action has been taken under Local Acts.	Nil	Nil	Nil
(7) Unfit houses included in unfitness orders.	Nil	Nil	Nil

UNFIT HOUSES CLOSED			
(8) Under Sections 16(4), 17(1) and 35(1) Housing Act 1957.	Nil	Nil	Nil
(9) Under Section 17(3) and 26 Housing Act 1957.	Nil	Nil	Nil
(10) Parts of buildings closed under Section 18, Housing Act 1957.	Nil	Nil	Nil

UNFIT HOUSES MADE FIT AND HOUSES
IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE REMEDIED

	By Owner	By Local Authority
(11) After informal action by Local Authority.	22	Nil
(12) After formal notice under (a) Public Health Acts (b) Sections 9 and 16 Housing Act, 1957.	Nil 4	Nil 1
(13) Under Section 24, Housing Act 1957.	Nil	Nil

UNFIT HOUSES IN TEMPORARY USE
(Housing Act, 1957)

	No. of Houses (1)	No. of separate dwellings contained in column (1) (2)
Position at end of year		
(14) Retained for temporary accommodation (a) Under Section 48 (b) Under Section 17 (2) (c) Under Section 46	Nil Nil Nil	Nil Nil Nil
(15) Licensed for temporary occupation under Section 34 and 53	Nil	Nil

PURCHASE OF HOUSES BY AGREEMENT

	No. of Houses (1)	No. of occupants of houses in column(1) (2)
(16) Houses in clearance areas other than those included in confirmed clearance orders or compulsory orders purchased in the year	Nil	Nil

Houses completed during the year

(a)	by Local Authority	(by new building)	Nil
		(by conversion)	1
(b)	by others	(by new building)	22
		(by conversion)	Nil

Rent Act 1957

No action was required under provisions of this Act.

Houses in Multiple Occupation

Houses known to be in multiple occupation	15
Registration scheme	Nil
Management Orders	Nil
Notices regarding neglect of management	5
Notices regarding additional facilities	4

Moveable Dwellings

Number of licensed caravan sites	1
Maximum permitted number of caravans increased from	450 to 525
Number of licence contraventions	2
Number of non-licensed sites	1
(Operated by Caravan Club of Great Britain)	
Number of licensed camping sites	Nil

OFFICES AND SHOPS

Registration and General Inspections

Class of Premises	Number of premises registered during the year	Number of registered premises at end of year	Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year
Offices	1	99	24
Retail Shops	4	324	77
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	Nil	6	1
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	5	42	58
Fuel storage depots	Nil	Nil	Nil
TOTALS	10	471	160

Total number of visits by Inspectors to registered premises - 556

Analysis by Workplace of Persons employed in Registered Premises

Class of Workplace	Number of persons employed
Offices	334
Retail Shops	1,614
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	56
Catering establishments open to public.	287
Canteens	4
Fuel storage depots	-
TOTAL	2,395
TOTAL MALES	652
TOTAL FEMALES	1,743

Offices and Shops continued:

Analysis of Contraventions

Contraventions found	Number	Contraventions found	Number
Cleanliness	Nil	Seats (sedentary Workers)	Nil
Overcrowding	Nil	Eating facilities	Nil
Temperature	2	Floor, passage and stairs	9
Ventilation	Nil	Fencing exposed parts machinery	Nil
Lighting	7	Protection of young persons from dangerous machinery	Nil
Sanitary Conveniences	11	Training of young persons working at dangerous machinery	Nil
Washing facilities	2	Prohibition of heavy work	Nil
Supply of Drinking Water	Nil	First Aid General Provisions	1
Clothing Accommodation	Nil	Other Matters	15
Sitting facilities	Nil		
		TOTAL	47

Exemptions: Applications received - Nil
Exemptions granted - Nil
Prosecutions - Nil

Offices and Shops continued:

Reported Accidents

Workplace	Number Reported		Total Number Invest- igated	Action Recommended			
	Fatal	Non-Fatal		Prosec- ution	Formal Warning	Informal Advice	No Action
Offices	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Retail Shops	-	11	3	-	1	1	1
Wholesale Warehouses	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Catering Establish- ments open to the public, canteens	-	3	1	-	1	-	-
Fuel Storage Depots	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	Nil	15	4	Nil	2	1	1

Analysis of reported accidents

	Offices	Retail shops	Wholesale warehouses	Catering establishments, open to public, canteens	Fuel storage depots
Machinery	-	-	-	-	-
Transport	-	-	-	-	-
Falls of persons	-	5	-	1	-
Stepping on or striking against object or person	-	-	-	-	-
Handling goods	-	3	1	1	-
Struck by falling object	-	1	-	-	-
Fires and explosions	-	-	-	-	-
Electricity	-	-	-	-	-
Use of hand tools	-	-	-	-	-
Not otherwise specified	-	2	-	1	-

AIR POLLUTION

Smoke Control Programme

	Acres	Houses	Total Premises	Operative Date
Area No.1	110	784	797	1. 10. 1965
" No.2	595	781	797	1. 9. 1967
" No.3	61	761	770	1. 4. 1968
" No.4	755	1,099	1,140	1. 11. 1968
" No.5	193	925	953	1. 11. 1969
" No.6	136	1,068	1,121	1. 11. 1970
Totals	<u>1,850</u>	<u>5,418</u>	<u>5,578</u>	

Administration

Number of Approvals of Proposed Works issued	732
Number of Claims for 70% grant approved	468
Number of Claims for 100% grant approved	40
Number of Section 12 notices served	54
Number of Section 12 notices complied with	54
Necessary works carried out in default	Nil

Measurement

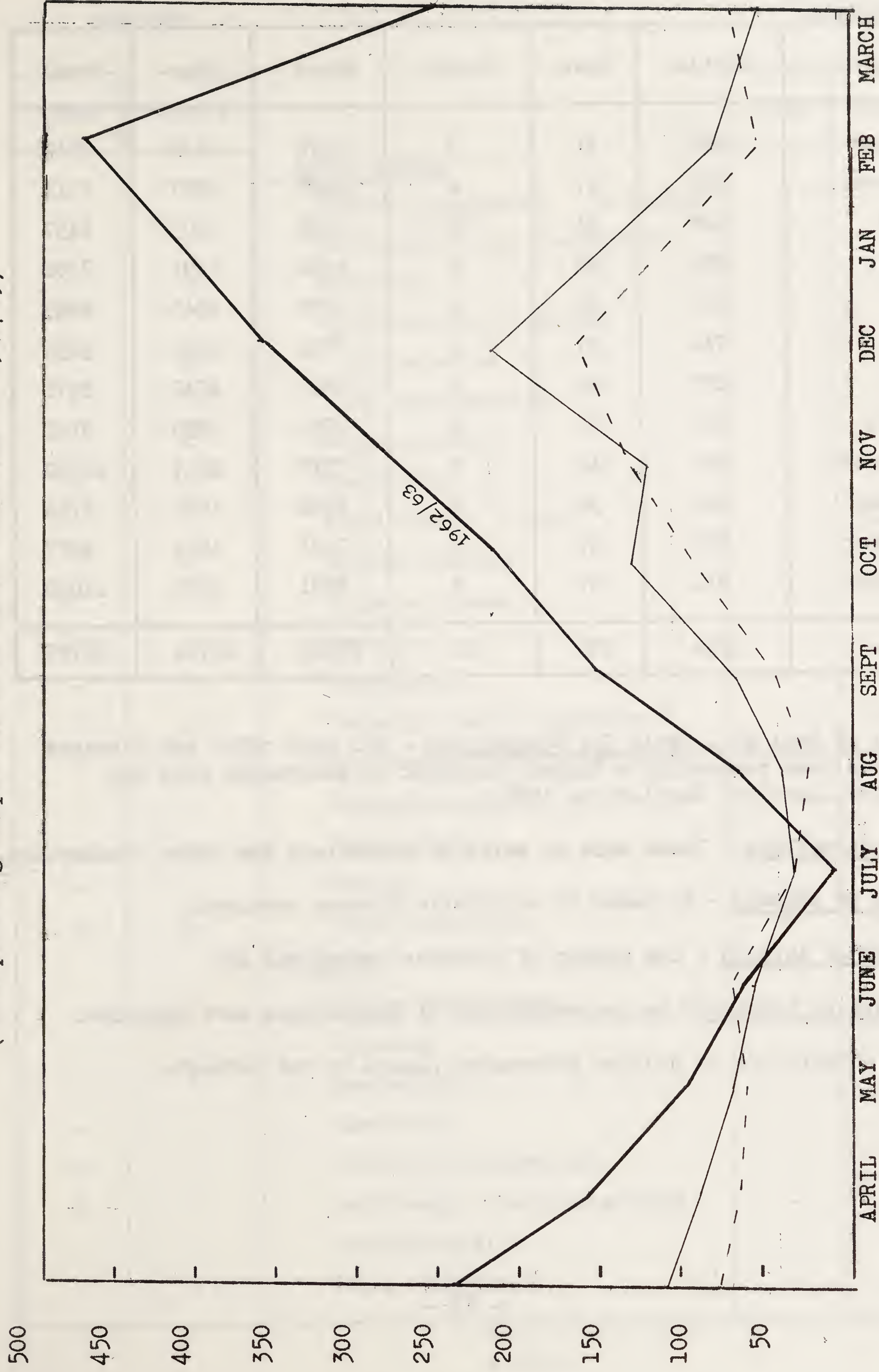
Average 'smoke' concentrations during six winter months, expressed in microgrammes per cubic metre of air	
October 1964 to March 1965	247
" 1965 to " 1966	212
" 1966 to " 1967	188
" 1967 to " 1968	212
" 1968 to " 1969	140
" 1969 to " 1970	139

Industrial

Dark Smoke	- number of contraventions	Nil
Furnaces	- notifications received	Nil
	- applications for prior approval	Nil
Grit and Dust Emissions	- number of contraventions	Nil
Heights of Chimneys	- number of new chimneys	Nil

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(Incorporating Comparison with Smoke Pollution in 1962/63)



— SMOKE POLLUTION

- - - - - SULPHUR DIOXIDE POLLUTION

in microgrammes per cu. metre of air

FOOD CONTROL

Animals Inspected

Month	Cattle	Cows	Calves	Sheep	Pigs	Total
January	665	41	3	5278	1430	7417
February	650	47	4	4927	1587	7215
March	626	34	9	4265	1503	6437
April	855	49	5	4206	1991	7106
May	733	30	2	2275	1843	4883
June	740	37	4	2714	1560	5055
July	1053	49	2	5827	2040	8971
August	722	27	6	5792	1595	8142
September	997	46	5	7717	2017	10782
October	800	34	8	6940	1970	9752
November	802	47	8	7121	1999	9977
December	911	37	5	6901	3206	11060
Totals	9554	478	61	63963	22741	96797

Disposal of Meat etc. Unfit for Consumption - All such offal and carcasses are stored then removed in a locked container in accordance with the Meat (Sterilization) Regulations 1969.

Sale of Horseflesh - There were no sales of horseflesh for human consumption.

Diseases of Animals - No cases of notifiable disease occurred.

Slaughter of Animals - The number of licences issued was 10.

Prevention of Cruelty - No contraventions of Regulations were recorded.

Poultry - There are no poultry processing plants in the Borough.

Condemnations of Carcasses and Offal

CARCASSES

OFFAL

TOTAL	PARTIAL		TOTAL	PARTIAL
<u>ADULT CATTLE</u>				
		Number slaughtered .. 10,032		
-	-	Actinobacillosis (-mycosis)	-	9
-	2	Bruising	-	-
		Cysticercosis (C.bovis)		
-	2	(a) Rejected	-	11
-	-	(b) Refrigerated	-	-
-	-	Echinococcosis	-	-
2	-	Emaciation	2	-
-	-	Fascioliasis (fluke)	-	3616
-	-	Hepatic abscess	-	640
1	-	Johne's disease	1	1
-	-	Mastitis	-	-
-	-	Peritonitis	-	7
-	2	Pneumonia and/or pleurisy	-	133
3	-	Septicaemic conditions/fever	3	-
-	-	Telangiectasis	-	8
-	-	Tuberculosis	-	-
-	-	Tumours	-	-
4	39	Other conditions	4	154
<u>CALVES</u>				
		Number slaughtered .. 61		
-	-	Bruising	-	-
-	-	Emaciation	-	-
-	-	Immaturity	-	-
-	-	Joint-ill or navel-ill	-	-
1	-	Septicaemic conditions/fever	-	-
-	-	Tuberculosis	-	-
-	-	Other conditions	-	-

Condemnations of Carcases and Offal continued:

CARCASSES			OFFAL	
TOTAL	PARTIAL		TOTAL	PARTIAL
		<u>PIGS</u>		
		Number slaughtered 22,741		
2	37	Abscess	2	8
-	70	Arthritis	-	-
-	-	Ascariasis (milk spot)	-	1864
1	8	Bruising	-	-
-	-	Echinococcosis	-	-
1	-	Emaciation	1	-
-	-	Jaundice	-	-
-	3	Pneumonia and/or pleurisy	-	1715
2	-	Pyæmia	2	-
6	-	Septicaemic conditions/fever	6	-
-	-	Swine erysipelas	-	1
-	-	Tuberculosis	-	142
-	-	Tumours	-	-
3	23	Other conditions	3	359
		<u>SHEEP</u>		
		Number slaughtered 63,963		
-	12	Abscess	-	102
-	64	Arthritis	-	-
-	-	Bruising	-	-
-	-	Cysticercus ovis	-	-
-	-	Echinococcosis	-	-
8	-	Emaciation	8	-
-	-	Fasioliasis (fluke)	-	2097
-	-	Jaundice	-	-
-	-	Pneumonia and/or Pleurisy	-	12
3	-	Pyæmia	3	-
2	-	Septicaemic conditions/fever	2	-
-	-	Tumours	-	-
2	2	Other conditions	2	16

Unsound Food Surrendered or Condemned

The number of certificates issued in respect of the following items was 1292.

	Tons	Cwts	lbs.
1. Meat at slaughterhouses	33	17	38
2. Meat at wholesale premises	-	-	-
3. Meat at retail shops	-	3	73
4. Cooked meat and meat products	-	-	57
5. Canned meats	-	3	67
6. Other canned foods	-	5	78
7. Fish	-	-	-
8. Fruit and vegetables (fresh)	-	-	-
9. Other foods including frozen foods	-	9	88
	35	0	65

Sale of Food Containing Foreign Matter

Food	Foreign Substance	Action
Milk (1969)	Glass splinters	Prosecution (£25 fine)
Bread	Wood splinters	Prosecution (£20 fine)
Steak Pie	Mould	Warning letter
Potato Croquette	Potato 'eye'	Warning letter
Sugar	Insects	Unconfirmed
Butter	Maggot	Unconfirmed
Canned Grapefruit	Insect	Contact with importers
Canned Chopped Pork	Piece of Cardboard	Warning letter
Bread	Mould	Warning to retailer
Bread	Mould	Warning to manufacturers
Cream Cake	Mould	Warning letter
Bread	Mould	Warning letter
Ice-cream	Dirt	Warning letter
Cheese slices	Mould	Warning to retailer
Bread	Cigarette Tip	Prosecution pending
Sausage	Fly	Prosecution pending
Cake	Wasp	Prosecution pending
"Steaklet"	Sweet Wrapper	Prosecution pending
Meat Pie	Insect	Unconfirmed
Fruit Tart	Mould	Warning to retailer

Milk - The number of Dairies and Registered Distributors is 48.

Sampling by Northumberland County Council

Total number of samples taken	100
No. of samples submitted to Methylene Blue Test	72
No. satisfactory	71
No. of samples submitted to Phosphatase Test	70
No. satisfactory	70
No. of samples submitted to Turbidity Test	24
No. satisfactory	24

Ice Cream

Number of registered manufacturers 9
 Number of registered premises selling icecream 194
 Number of samples submitted for bacteriological examination 43

Sample Gradings. No. I 34 No. III 3
 No. II 2 No. IV 4

Food Hygiene

Type of Premise	Number	Type of Premise	Number
Bakehouses		Greengrocers	21
(manufacturers	11	Grocers and	
Bakers Shops	29	Provisions	37
Butchers	25	Licensed Hotels	
Chemists	16	and Clubs	21
Confectioners	27	Public Houses	17
Dairies	1	Restaurants and	
Fish & Chip Friers	8	Cafes	46
Wet Fish	4	Slaughterhouse	1

Food Hygiene (General) Regulations 1960

Offence	Prosecutions	Convictions
General Requirements	1	1
Requirements relating to persons engaged in handling of food	Nil	Nil
Requirements relating to food premises	6	6
	7	7
Total Fines £50		

MISCELLANEOUS

Noise Control

Number of complaints received 13
 Number of nuisances remedied (a) by formal action 1
 (b) by informal action 6

Pest Control

PROPERTIES OTHER THAN SEWERS	TYPE OF PROPERTY	
	Non-Agricultural	Agricultural
1. Number of properties in district	15,034	24
2. a) Total number of properties (Including nearby premises) inspected following notification	240	50
b) Number infested by (i) Rats	129	9
(ii) Mice	36	-
3. a) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification	Nil	Nil
b) Number infested by (i) Rats	Nil	Nil
(ii) Mice	Nil	Nil

Insect	Number of treatments	Insect	Number of treatments
Carpet Beetles	1	Snails	3
Wasps	34	Cockroaches	45
Spider Beetles	1	Bees	5
Ants	1	Fleas	1

Drains Service

Drains cleared on request 316

Offensive Trades

There are no "offensive trades" in operation.

Piggeries

One piggery continues to operate at Murton Village.
 No formal action was necessary.

Places of Public Entertainment (subject to periodic inspection)

<u>Cinemas</u>	<u>Theatre</u>	<u>Dance Halls</u>	<u>Others</u>
Coliseum Essoldo	Priory	Alletsa Empress Ballroom Rex Ballroom Rotunda Ballroom	Whitley Bay Football Club Ice Rink Ten Pin Bowling Regal (Bingo) Don's Bingo Spanish City

Animal Boarding Establishments

Number of licensed premises	1
Maximum numbers - Cats	62
- Dogs	48

Riding Establishments

Number of licensed establishments	1
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Pet Animals

Number of licences issued ..	8
No formal action was necessary	

Scrap Metal Dealers

Number of registered dealers	Nil
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Dry Cleaning Establishments (Tests for presence of perchlorethylene)

Number of premises	7
Number of air samples taken	
at establishments	6
Satisfactory	5
Unsatisfactory	1

Public Conveniences

List of Public Conveniences in the Borough, each with a ladies and gents section.

Black Horse	Memorial Park	Souter Park North *
Brier Dene	(Seaton Sluice)	Souter Park South *
Cemetery	Miniature Golf	Southern Promenade *
Central Promenade	Old Hartley *	Trinity Park
Churchill Playing Fields	Panama	Victoria Park
Crawford Park	Rockcliffe	Watts Road
Dukes Walk	St. Mary's Island *	West Park (Seaton Sluice)
Library Car Park *		Whitley Road

Reconstruction of those toilets indicated by an asterisk was completed in 1970. Toilets for use by disabled persons are incorporated at Library Car Park and Souter Park North.

ANALYSIS OF VISITS AND INSPECTIONS

Accumulations	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	72
Air Pollution - Domestic	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3217
- Industrial	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	37
- Measurement	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	240
Amusement Licences	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17
Animals	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
- Boarding Establishments	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
- Riding Establishments	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Dairies and Distributors	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Drains and Sewers - Inspected	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	443
- Smoke Tests	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17
- Water Tests	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Factories (with mechanical power)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	37
(without mechanical power)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14
(outworkers)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Farms	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Food Hygiene - Butchers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	24
- Bakehouses	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8
- Cafe and Restaurants	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	195
- Fish Fryers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13
- Others	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	129
Hairdressers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	19
Houses - Capable of Repair	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1117
- Not capable of Repair	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
- Cleanliness	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	47
- Improvement	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	441
- Multi-occupation	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	52
- Overcrowding	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11
Infectious Diseases	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	34
Ice Cream Manufacture	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17
Market, Stalls and Delivery Vehicles	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13
Total carried fwd.								6251

	brought forward	6251
Licensed Premises	58	
Meat and Food - Inspections	521	
- Condemnations	429	
Meetings	47	
Meeting with Owner or Tradesmen	31	
Miscellaneous Visits	212	
Moveable Dwellings and Sites	24	
Noise	13	
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act		
(General Inspections) - Offices	24	
- Retail Shops	77	
- Wholesale and Warehouses	1	
- Catering Establishments		
and Canteens	58	
- Fuel Storage Depots	-	
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act		
(Visits) - Offices	22	
- Retail Shops	257	
- Wholesale and Warehouses	-	
- Catering Establishments and Canteens	117	
- Fuel Storage Depots	-	
Pet Shops	18	
Piggeries	8	
Places of Entertainment	11	
Prevention of Damage by Pests Act - Rats	122	
- Mice	3	
Public Health Nuisances	98	
Public Conveniences	26	
Samples - Ice Cream	99	
- Water	-	
Shops Act	9	
Slaughter Houses	489	
Schools	7	
Verminous Premises	114	
Water Courses	4	
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APPENDIX i

Inspection under Part 1 of the Factories Act, 1961

1. **INSPECTIONS** for purposes of provisions as to health matters
(including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

PREMISES (1)	No. on Register (2)	Number of		
		Inspections (3)	Written Notices (4)	Occupiers Prosecuted (5)
i) in which Sections 1,2,3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	4	14	Nil	Nil
ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	75	37	5	Nil
iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out- workers' premises)	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
TOTAL	79	51	5	Nil

APPENDIX i continued

CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				No. of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	Referred		
			by H.M. Inspector (4)	to H.M. Inspector (5)	
Want of Cleanliness (S1)	3	3	Nil	Nil	Nil
Overcrowding (S2)	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Unreasonable Temperature (S3)	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Inadequate Ventilation (S4)	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Ineffective Drainage of Floors (S6)	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Sanitary Conveniences (S7)					
(a) Insufficient	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
(b) Defective or Unsuitable	2	2	1	Nil	Nil
(c) Not separate for sexes	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Other offences against the Act. (not including offences relating to outwork)	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
	5	5	1	Nil	Nil

